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1. IN LIGHT OF PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS, PERMREP YAGUIBOU CALLED MISOFF EARLY DEC. 6 TO SET APPOINTMENT TO EXPLAIN UPPER VOLTA NEGATIVE VOTE ON DEFERRAL PROPOSAL. YAGUIBOU WAS IN CANADA AT TIME OF VOTE AND WAS DUE TO RETURN TO NY EVENING DEC. 5.

2. YAGUIBOU REPORTED HE CALLED NY MISSION FROM CANADA AND WAS INFORMED DEL HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS MORNING DEC. 5 TO VOTE NO OR ABSTAIN ON DEFERRAL PROPOSAL, WITH OPTION BETWEEN TWO CHOICES TO BE DECIDED BY DELEGATION ITSELF. YAGUIBOU, WHO HAD REPORTEDLY STRONGLY URGED AFFIRMATIVE UPPER VOLTA VOTE ON DEFERRAL, UPON HEARING OF INSTRUCTION, SAID HE CALLED CONOMBO FROM CANADA. CONOMBO SAID GOUV IN "EMBARRASSING" SITUATION IN VIEW OF VOTE AT NON-ALIGNED CONF, CO-SPONSORSHPP OF PRO-GRUNK RES AND STRONG PRO-SIHANOUK STATEMENT MADE DURING GENERAL DEBATE.

3. CONOMBO REPORTEDLY TOLD YAGUIBOU HE REALIZED NOW ON BASIS OF YAGUIBOU'S CONVERSATION WITH USUN AND AF/W OFFICER,
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GOUV HAD INACCURATE INFORMATION ABOUT ACTUAL SIHANOUK

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CONTROL IN CAMBODIA. HE TOLD YAGUIBOUR GOUV WOULD APPROACH AMEMB OUAGADOUGOU TO CONVEY THIS AND TO TELL AMEMB GOUV WOULD BE RECONSIDERING POSITION ON CAMBODIA FOR FUTURE DEBATES. YAGUIBOU SAID HE WAS INSTRUCTED TO CONVEY SAME INFORMATION TO USUN.

4. EMPHASIZING HIS IGNORANCE THAT VOTE ON DEFERRAL WOULD TAKE PLACE AS EARLY AS DECEMBER 5, (AND WHILE HE WAS AWAY), YAGUIBOU SAID UPPER VOLTA DELEGATE WHO WAS PRESENT IN PLENARY DID NOT SHARE HIS VIEW ON DEFERRAL AND OPTED FOR NEGATIVE RATHER THAN ABSTENTION. YAGUIBOU ADDED REGRET THAT CORRECT INFORMATION OR SITUATION WITHIN CAMBODIA NOT CONVEYED TO GOUV EARLIER BUT SAID HE WAS PLEASED THAT DESPITE UPPER VOLTA VOTE, DEFERRAL WON.

5. TURNING TO KOREA, YAGUIBOU SAID THAT DURING KOREA DEBATE H HAD TOLD CONOMBO NON-ALIGNED ARE NOT "REALLY NON-ALIGNED" BUT ARE ALL BACKING NORTH KOREANS. AT THAT TIME, HE HAD RECOMMENDED GOUV TAKE POSITION OF "NEUTRALITY" WHICH HE BELIEVED TO BE CORRECT MEANING OF, AND POSTURE FOR, "NON-ALIGNED." CONOMBO AGREED, THUS GIVING HIM GREEN LIGHT TO WORK WITH OTHER AFRICAN DELS ON KOREA COMPROMISE RES. YAGUIBOU SAID IN TELCON DEC. 5 CONOMBO CONFIRMED NON-ALIGNED SHOULD BE WORKING TOWARD NEUTRALITY AND UPPER VOLTA WOULD BE DOING SO IN FUTURE.

6. COMMENT. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED TO KNOW IF APPROACH REFERRED TO PARA 3 IS MADE TO AMEMB OUAGADOUGOU. PAST EXPERIENCE INCLINES US TO DOUBT ACCURACY OF HIS REPORT. IN THIS CASE, WE NOTE YAGUIBOU DID NOT ORDER UPPER VOLTA DEL TO ABSTAIN WHEN HE RECEIVED NEWS OF INSTRUCTIONS, BUT CLAIMS INSTEAD TO HAVE MADE ADDITIONAL CALL TO CAPITAL.
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